

COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
USDA FOREST SERVICE, BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST
And
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & CONSERVATION, on behalf of
Jefferson County

The purpose of this agreement is to provide for a coordinated cooperative fire suppression operation on this fire and to describe the cost division. Following is the cost share agreement between the agencies identified above as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the **Statewide Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement #05-FI-11015600-14** executed between the parties on 3/10/05.

Incident Name: **CACTUS FIRE**

<u>Origin:</u>	<u>County:</u>	<u>Lat:</u>	<u>Long:</u>
	Jefferson	45.52208	112.17522

Estimated Size:

2,200 WFS Acres, Final Fire size 518 acres as of 07/24/08

Incident Start Date and Time: July 19, 2008 @ approximately 1210 hours

Jurisdictions: USDA Forest Service, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest
Jefferson County
USDI, Bureau of Land Management, Butte Field Office

Incident Cause: Lightning

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Fire #</u>	<u>Accounting Code</u>
Forest Service		PNECM3
MT DNRC	MT-CES-403	87371

Cost Share Period: This agreement becomes effective on the start date of the fire and will remain in effect until the fire is declared out. Cactus fire was declared out 8/13/2008 at 18:30.

Command Structure: Overall direction of this incident will be by a **Single Command** structure.

Principal Contacts. The following personnel are the principal contacts:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Incident Commander -	Rick Kusicko	Clearwater NF
Agency Administrator	Diana Allen	Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF
Agency Administrator	Garry Williams	MT DNRC Central Land Office
Agency Administrator	Renee Johnson	Butte Field Office BLM
Incident Business Advisor	Peri Suenram	Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF
Incident Business Advisor	Sue Clark	MT DNRC

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Agency representatives participating in the development of this cost share agreement:

Forest Service -- Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF
Name: Diana Allen
Title: Agency Administrator

MT DNRC on behalf of Jefferson County
Name: Garry Williams
Title: Agency Administrator

Structural Protection:

1. The USDA Forest Service has wildland and structure protection responsibility for BLM No Structure protection was needed for structures under USDA Forest Service protection.
2. Jefferson County has wildland and structure protection responsibility for State of Montana and private lands. During initial attack structure protection was provided for one structure on private land by Jefferson County volunteers.
 - a. DNRC, through a signed County Cooperative Assistance request, agrees to assume 74 % of the overall fire cost to offset costs of fire suppression on State and private land and structure protection provided by Incident Management for the dates listed in this agreement.
 - b. Forest Service, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, agrees to assume 26% of the overall costs to offset costs of fire suppression on BLM land and structure protection provided by Incident Management for the dates listed in this agreement.

PROTECTING ENTITIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Entity & Location of Protection	Wildland Fire Responsibility (Yes or No)	Structure Protection Responsibility (Yes or No)	Structure Suppression Responsibility (Yes or No)
Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF and BLM lands	Yes	Yes	No
Jefferson Valley Volunteer Fire Department	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jefferson County	Yes	Yes	No

Basis or Rationale for Cost Share:

The cost share will be based on a percentage of protection responsibility acres within the area defined by the final fire boundary on the date the fire is de out. The costs to be shared include all costs associated with management of the incident, including structure protection. The decision was made to use the actual acreage burned in each agency's protection responsibility because of equal effort expended on all areas of the incident.

Other conditions relative to this agreement (Special conditions, standard clauses, notifications, incident information, etc.)

- 1) Costs for nonexpendable property purchases by each agency will be charged directly to that agency and will not be shared.

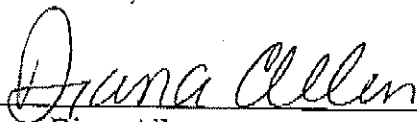
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- 2) Administrative overhead costs such as agency personnel, support and services, not directly assigned or ordered by the incident, will not be included as a part of this cost share agreement and will not be shared.
- 3) Costs incurred by cooperators not engaged in unified fire suppression activities will not be included as part of this cost share agreement.
- 4) All costs originating from orders placed by and for the incident that can be reasonably obtained and estimated for the cost share period will be included in this agreement and will be shared.
- 5) Agency-specific costs will not be shared.
- 6) Non-suppression rehabilitation costs are the responsibility of the jurisdictional agency and will not be shared.
- 7) Responsibility for tort claims costs or compensation for injury costs will not be a part of this agreement. Responsibility for these costs will be determined outside this agreement.
- 8) Daily cost summaries will be documented and approved by the Agency Administrators or their designated representatives.
- 9) Sharing of final actual costs between the agencies will be based on actual incident suppression costs and each agency's proportionate share thereof as agreed to by the protection agencies.
- 10) Large fire overhead support provided by an Area Command, Buying Team, Expanded Dispatch, Mobilization and Demobilization Centers and Transportation Centers will not be shared in this agreement.
- 11) Per the Montana Cooperative Fire Agreement billing procedures, the parties to this agreement will determine the total costs of each agency. Each agency will bill for their costs.

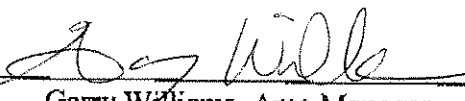
This Agreement and the apportionment described are our best judgments of fair and equitable Agency cost responsibilities.

Agency: USDA Forest Service, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest
420 Barrett Street
Dillon, MT 59725

Signature: 
Diana Allen
Assistant Fire Management Officer
Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

Date: 8/19/08

Agency: State of Montana – DNRC
Central Land Office

Signature: 
Garry Williams, Area Manager
Central Land Office

Date: 8/4/08